# HOT DISCUSSION

North Carolina Legislature Now in Throes of Consideration of Railroad Measures.

WOULD FIX FLAT CHARGE

Chairman Manning Hopes to Abolish Second Class.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch. ] RALEIGH, N. C., February 13.—The House of Representatives is in the midst House of Representatives is in the midst of the discussion of the question of rail-road passenger rates, with the end not yet in sight. The discussion progressed for two hours this afternoon, and was resumed at 8 o'clock to-night. The bill is that presented through Chairman Manning by the House Committee of Public Service Corporations, providing that the second-class conches be abolished; that there be a flat rate, so called, on the earnings for last year, and that the fare on the Southern and Atlantic Coast Line be two cents per mile, and the Seabourd Air Line two and a half cents, with other roads carning less than \$1,000 per mile at three cents.

During the argument this afternoon Turlington offered an amendment making the first class two and three-quarters and the second two and a quarter, this being in conformity with the bill prepared by the Senate Committee, the Joint committee having been unable to agree.

Mr. Harshaw, the Republican leader in the House, followed up a viscorous speech in opposition to the Manning bill with the presentation of an amendment that the rates be two and a half and two and two and a half cents specified in the bill.

The Senate passed on its final reading of the discussion of the question of rail-

in the bill.

The Scatte passed on its final reading the bill to appropriate \$500,000 for the enlargement of the State's facilities for carring for the insane. The bill is yet to be passed on its final reading in the House, but it is sure of passing without exception.

#### RALEIGH MAY EXPAND.

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Many Want Extension of Boundaries, But Can't Agree on Limit.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

RALEIGH, N. C., February 18.—Radeigh is considerably (skerelised these days over the question of extending the corporate limits. It is one of those bi-ennial convulsions the capital city has over this matter, and which thus far have resulted in nothing tangible. There is but little prospect of any better results this time either, owing to the division which has arisen between the Chamber of Commerce and the Board of Aldermen. The anti-expansionists are quietly laughing in their sleeves, while the wrangle continues and the days pass during which steps could be taken looking to the necessary legislative autharity to extend the limits. The Board of Aldermen are standing out for a one-quarter mile extension on three sides of the city, while the Chamber of Commerce insists on an extension which will set the limits one mile from the Capitol Square on every side. An effort is on now for effecting a compromise, so that the quarter-mile extension can be assured and a provision made for the people to vote on the question of still further extension, as urged by the Chamber of Commerce.

pants containing \$30.

The burglar had evidently just departed. An attempt was made upon the adjoining house occupied by Rev. J. N. Huggins, but entrance was not effected. Tracks were found under three different windows. One arrest has been made, but evidence against the man is slight.

#### BURNS TO DEATH.

Child, Left by Nurse, Plays in Fire; Usual Result.

FIG; USUAL RESULT.
WILMINGTON, N. C. February 15.—
s a result of horrbia burns the sixten months old baby girl of Mr. and
trs Robert G. Bankin, Jr., prominent
copie of this city, died in agony this

morning.

The nurse left the child alone before a fire in a grate late yesterday afterneon, and the little one in playing in the ceals with a stick lightled he dress. The nurse returned to find the dress. The nurse returned to find the child a living torch. The flarnes were extinguished by people who rushed in the home, but not until they had inflicted deadly injury, the little one passing away about ten hours afterwards.

#### FIRED UPON HIM.

Assailant Calls Man to Door for Purpose of Assassination.

Purpose of Assassination.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

SALISBURY, N. C., February 13.—Mr.

Samuel Miller, a prominent farmer of Rowan county, was called from his bedone night last week and fired upon when he reached his front door, and it is believed had a narrow escape from being murdered. His assailant ran humediately, and as his identity is unknown, mystery surrounds the shooting. It was found atterwards that the horses in the stables had been tirned out and driven away. Mr. Miller knows of no enemies, and the community is greatly sittred over the mysterious attack.

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Meet Many on This Side of the Atlantic.

DIES IN HIS BARN.

Wealthy and Aged Farmer

Passes Away Suddenly.

ing steam-shovels, "dinky" engines and other appliances, which are being used in getting out rock. The purchase of additional machinery was made necessary on account of the heavy demands for ballast on the main line of the road near this place.

#### WIDE INTEREST IN IT.

Divorce Suit of Merrill B. Mills Attracting Much Attention.

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[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
ASHEVILLE. N. C., February 13.—
The hearing in the divorce proceedings instituted by Merrill Beecher Mills, muttimillonaire, of New York and Chicago, against his wife, Mrs. Lila Mills, were continued to-day before United States Commissioner J. J. Britt. behind closed doors, and every vefort is being made to keep the proceedings private. None but witnesses and those directly concerned in the hearing are admitted.

Several witnesses were examined to-day, among them colored hack drivers and hotel beliboys. A bank official, who is also a notary public, was among those who have been examined, who testified in regard to an affidavit made some time ago by a young man of this city, against whom a suit for \$100.000 is threatened for allenations of Mrs. Mills's affections. This afficients

BURGLARS BUSY.

Enter One House and Attempt to Rob Another.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

LEXINGTON, N. C., February 13.—One house here was entered by a burglar early this morning and an attempt at the residence of E. G. Couch. Mr. Couch was awakened about 3 o'clock and found the window open and his watch gone, also a pair of pants containing \$30.

The burglar had evidently just departed. An attempt was made upon the adjoining house occupied by Rev. J. N. Huggins, but entrance was not effected. Tracks were found under three different windows. One arrest that he was not aware of the nature of the paper which he signed. The testimony of the notarry public was for the purpose of proving that the affiant was familiar with the contents of the paper when he signed the affidavit. Another than official testified to the same effect. Two beliboys were introduced as "coroborative witnesses," who told of what they saw or heard, tending to establish the truth of the affidavit. The case is exciting much interest owing to the prominence of all the parties concerned, and there is much structure and the probable outcome.

#### GETS SEVEN YEARS.

Negro Whipped His Child to Death; Another Gets Fifteen.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
RALEIGH, N. C., February 13.-BALEIGH, N. C., February 13.—
Deputy Sheriff T. N. Higley was here
to-day to deliver to the penitentiary
two negroes. Charles Malloy will serve
seven years for whipping his child so
severely that it died from the injuries.
The other negro, Lawrence Alford, is
sentenced to fifteen years for shooting another negro.

"Law and Order League.

All SEURY, N. C., February 12.— An organization to be known as a Temperance Law and Order League is to be organized in Sallsbury next Sunday. The matter has been agitated by the ministers in the city for some than, and a number of the best citizens are and a number of the best citizens are and a number of the best citizens are identified with the movement, the purpose of which is said to be for the furtherance of the temperance cause and to see that present laws affecting morality are made effective. The league proposes to await the coming municipal election for the active canvass in the interest of temperance.

Sunday-School Building.

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Receive New Machinery,
SPENCER, N. C., February 13.—Lane Brothers Company, contractors on the double-tracking of the main line of the Southern Railway, have just received a large amditorium and special class and other rooms, the plans to be in accordance with the most approved Sunday-school buildings.

Rev. John D. Moneuro\*will conduct school buildings.

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### Richmond Homoeopathic Pharmacy, Corner Fifth and Main.

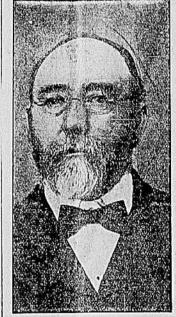


Silvanus J. Quinn, of Fredericks burg, Becomes Grand Master. Richmond Man is Deputy.

#### ESSEX COUNTY GETS IN LINE

Election Contest Was Long and Somewhat Exciting-Masons Enjoy Big Spread.

The Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Masons in Virginia held the second session of its one hundred and twenty-ninth annual communication last night, with a larger attendance than on the first night. The feature of last night's meeting was, of course, the election of officers, which, unexpectedly to many of the fraternity, was more than a formal affair. Grand Master Kemper, who has served but one year, and under the law was eligible to re-cleetion, declined to be a candidate for the highest honor. Mr. Kemper has been in impaired health for some time and felt that he was physically unable to attempt the heavy duties



SILVANUS QUINN, Fredericksburg, newly-elected Grand Master of Masons In Virginia.

FRIENDLY STATEMENT that will devolve upon the head of the Masonic fraternity in the State this year. This action on the part of the grand master meant that all of the elective officers down to junior deacon would step up a note and a new man would be named for that place, and thus get in the line of promotion. The only contest, therefore, was over the office of junior deacon.

The Grand Lodge was opened at 7 o'clock by Grand Master Kemper. General William Ruffin Cox, past grand master of Masus in North Carolina, was introduced and received with the grand honers. General Cox made an eloquent speech, which greatly pleased the breth-Says He Leaves Friends Only to

LIVERPOOL. February 13.—Ambassa-dor James Bryce and Mrs. Bryce received a hearty send-off when they sailed from here for New York to-day on the White Star Line steamer Oceanic A large crowd of people, including the American consul, Mr. Griffiths, witnessed their de-parture. Just before sailing Mr. Bryce said: speech, which greatly pleased the breth-

said:
"It is pleasant to feel that while I am leaving many friends behind, I am going to meets hosts of good friends in America, with a great number of whom I already am acquainted. I have been assured that a cordial welcome awaits me, and this is a happy augury."

Governor Swanson, who is a member of Pittsylvania Lodge, was also introduced as a visitor, and in response to calls made a stirring speech.

The election of officers for the new Masonic year, which was long drawn out, resulted in the selection of the following: Grand Master, Silvanus J. Quinn, of Fredericksburg; Deputy Grand Master, Joseph W. Eggleston, of Richmond; Grand Senior Warden, John W. Kellam, of Wachapreague; Grand Junior Warden, William B. McChesney, of Staunton; Grand Treasurer, W. Fred. Pleasants, of Richmond; Grand

### **Charcoal Stops Gas** On Your Stomach

Passes Away Suddenly.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch ]
WINCHESTER, VA., February 12.—
Thomas S. Stadden, a prominent and wealthy farmer of Wadesville, Clarko county, Va., was found dead this afternoon by his housekeeper, Mrs. Moulden, in 14s barn, where he had gone an hour before to lead a horse to water. When his prolonged absence was noted Mrs. Moulden instituted a search, finding Mr. Stadden dead on the barn floor. Neighbors carried the body to the house. Mr. Stadden was about eighty years old, a native of Pennsylvanta and was one of the first party of California gold-seekers in 1819. In that State he married his wife having gone there with her parents from Rhode Island. Mrs. Stadden dled a few years since. One nephew—Harry Wonderful Absorbing Power of Charconl When Taken in the Form of Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges.

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William Caldwell Worked in Field When Past 90 Years. [assessite of the Times Dispatch: ]

I am Caldwell, a widely known farmer of. Pittsylvania county, ided hast night at his home about four miles from this flow and the survival and the survival at his home about four miles from this office of the third of th

Secretary, George W. Carrington, of Richwond; Grand Scnior Deacon, W. L. Andrews, of Roanoke; Grand Junior Deacon, B. K. Bowman, of Essex coun-

ty.

Por the last named, there were six candidates, and the nominating speeches were somewhat lengthy as well as elequent.

Mr. Bowman was elected on the second ballot, his strongest competitor being Mr. Thomas S. Purdle, of Nor-Colle.

folk. The Grand Master made the follow The Grand Blasts: Grand Chaplain, ing appointments: Grand Pursivant, Rev. George H. Ray; Grand Pursivant, James A. Pamplin; Grand Tilor, W. C. Wilkinson; Grand Steward, William

James A. Pampin; Grand Tide, W. William Krouse.

It was nearly midnight when the election and installation of officers was completed, and then the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshments. Grand Steward Krouse and his assistants served an elegant supper in the larger dining-room of the Temple. The committees held lengthy sessions yesterday and mapped out a big day's work for the grand body, which will be convened at 2:30 this afternoon.

The business of the session will be completed to-night, possibly this afternoon, the new grand master, Silvanus Jackson Quinn, is a well-known and popular citizen of Fredericksburg. He is engaged extensively in the coal and lumber business, and also holds the position of Superintendent of the Fredericksburg Water-Works.

ter-Works,
Mr. Quinn is a member and past masster of Fredericksburg Lodge, No. 4, the
lodge in which George Washington was
made a Mason in 1768.

Eight years ago he was elected junior
deacon of the Grand Lodge, and 'has
filled all the chairs from that station up
to the grand east.

#### DR BRUNK SICK.

New Superintendent is Confined to His Bed.

To His Bed.

[Special to The Times-Mspatch.]

WILLIAMSBURG, VA., February 13.—
The special bound of directors of the Eastern State Hospital, in a special meeting here yesterday afternoon, accepted the resignation of Dr. P. T. Southall, assistant physician at the institution. This resignation will become effective as soon as Dr. Irene Bullard can take charge. Dr. Bullard is expected to arrive here in a few days. For the first time in many months all the members of the board were present. All charges against Dr. Southall were dismissed, and the records now show that he has ever been mindful of his duties as a physician at the Eastern State Hospital.

Everything is running smoothly at fee institution new as though no ripple had ever occurred to mar the harmony. Everything has sottled down into the old channel. No changes the west the harmony of the new superintendent, although he has declared it his intention to make changes as soon as he becomes sufficiently familiarized with his new duties. Dr. Brunk is at present being confined to his bed by a slight illness.

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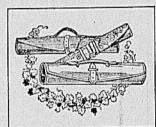
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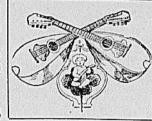
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SESSIONS MAY BE SECRET

Believed Mr. Kennedy Will Place Resignation in Hands of Board.

There were absolutely no new devel-

There were absolutely no new developments in the State Library situation yesterday, but interest in the matter will be revived with the meeting of the board, which will take place at 8 o'clock to-night.

There is no way of telling what will be the exact line of procedure in the board, and it is very likely that the members will get together and formulate one. That the sessions will be executive there is little doubt, and it it is probable that Mr. Kennedy and his assistants will be brought in and

it is probable that Mr. Kennedy and his assistants will be brought in and examined one by one.

Messrs. Meredith and Patteson, the local members, heard practically all the evidence relating to the case, while sars, Gordon, Fishburne and Garnett heard none. The out-of-town members will arrive some time to-day, and a full attendance is anticipated.

Will Probably Resign.

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Nothing more has been heard concorning Mr. Kennedy's contemplated resignation, though it is understood that such a paper will be placed before the board to-night in order to relieve the members of any possible embarrassment, and then they will be in a position of accepting or rejecting it as they may see it, after all the facts are before them. It is hardly possible for the board to implete its labors and dispose of the case to-night. It is more likely that it will require several days, and that sessions will be held from day to day.

Will Take Definite Action.

Will Take Definite Action. Will Take Definite Action.
It is believed, however, that the members so fully appreciate the importance of the situation, that when the meeting finally adjourns some definite conclusion will have been reached. Whether this will be adverse or favorable to Mr. Kennedy, or to his co-workers, cannot be said, but some action of a positive and interesting nature is expected.

The press throughout the State is commenting freely on the case, and nearly all the papers referring to it seem to regard it as one of great importance to the interests of the Library.

#### GOVERNOR ACTIVE,

Every Train Will Be Stopped

Five Minutes During Funeral,

(Appeciate to The Times-Dispateh.)

NORFOLK, V.A., February 13.—Bearing on the death of Alfred Walter, president of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, the following order was fo-day issued:

"The funeral services of Mr. Alfred Walter, late president of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, will take place in New York at 3 o'clock to-morrow, February 14th: As a mark of respect it is ordered that all trains on the stop wherever they may be at the funeral hour, remaining standing for a period of tive minutes. The general superintendent of the company will see that this order is carried out. (Signed)

"The fineral will be strictly private, as will be the interment of the company of the funeral will be strictly private, as will be the interment of the body in flatilmore. Mr. Garrett and the other Seasoboard officials here will leave for New York to-night to attend the funeral of this county for the county of the seasoboard officials here will leave for New York to-night to attend the funeral of the prisoners will be brought hars week the prisoners will be brought hars."

is not known, presumably not until after they have been indicted. It is not thought that there is much danger of lynching, but the officials do not want to take any chances

Change in New York Stock Rules

Ending the Rate Hearing.

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